

Dear Mom,

I never realized until I had my own child how difficult being a mother is. Now I wish I would have helped you more with the chores around our home. I wish I would have known the exhaustion that a mother feels at the end of each day.
5 You never stopped loving me and you never ever left me even though at times you probably felt like it.

I always had a new pair of sneakers at the beginning of each school year, and you would wear the same pair of sneakers for 5 or more years. You always put me first and yourself second. There are so many things you did without a
10 second thought. You took care of me when I was sick, even though you were sick, too. You went nights without sleep from worrying. You made sure that every morning I was up and off to school. There are so many more things that I could list, but I would never be able to remember them all.

15 I took up most of your time, leaving you with no time for yourself. You put aside your hobbies, and you barely took the time out to have a coffee with your friends.

20 What a sacrifice you made to raise me. Thank you, Mom, so much, for every second of the day that you cared and guided me to be who I am today.

Now I am a mother, and I now know exactly how you felt. I understand the exhaustion, the worries, sacrifices and I understand something else that I never did before, the love that a mother has for her children is the most
25 powerful, protective, caring, emotional, sacrificing love that will ever exist on this earth.

I have to say it again, Mom. Thank you with all my heart, and I want to tell you that I love you so very, very much and that I am so proud to tell people
30 that you are my mother.

I hope that I can do a great job being a mom just like you are and have been to me.

Love, your daughter, Kathy

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